



# Clippings

Brief bits of news from in and around the golf business. . .

**Nancy Gammon**, head professional at Wolf Creek Golf Club and wife of **Hunter Gammon, CGCS**, has been voted Golf Professional of the Year by the Ladies Professional Golf Association. The Gammons are responsible for the entire history of Wolf Creek, a semi-private, 9-hole layout, and Nancy has been instrumental in many of the design changes and supervised construction. She has many achievements to her credit, including directing the local Jaycee Invitational tournament, and has served as Area Representative in the Teaching Division of LPGA since 1968. Nancy recently co-chaired the first National Teaching Division Seminar.

The not-so-golden goose who laid the big slippery spot is starting to get his. Dr. Jim Kennelly of the Wildlife Service's Wildlife Health Laboratory in Madison, Wisconsin, is heading an experimental project which involves performing vasectomies on non-migratory geese. The project is strictly experimental, but does offer some alternative to killing the geese or allowing the population to grow. Canadian geese often live 10 or more years in the wild and have three to six offspring per year after reaching three years of age.

**Mike O'Connell**, Maketewah CC, has been elected president of the Greater Cincinnati chapter of the GCSAA for 1981. **Terry Frey** of the Beckett Ridge CC is the new vice president and **John Hamilton**, Jack Nicklaus Sports Center, is the secretary/treasurer.

1981 officers of the Long Island GCSA are: **Ed Fufaro**, Fresh Meadow CC, President; **Pete Bass**, Hauppauge CC, Vice president; **Richard McGuinness**, Woodmere Club, Inc., Secretary, and **Pete Ruggieri**, Inwood CC, Treasurer. Directors are: **Joe Alonzi**, Huntington Crescent Club, **James McCormick**, Merrick GC, **Jim Manka**, North Hills CC, **Bob Matthews**, Fox Run CC, and **Kay Ovia**, Glen Oaks CC.



**Michael R. Bavler, CGCS**, (left), superintendent of Inverness Golf Club in Palatine, Illinois, was elected President of GCSAA at the annual membership

meeting. **James A. Wyllie**, Bayview CC in Thronhill, Ontario, is Vice president. **Eugene Baston, CGCS**, Birmingham (Ala.) CC, and **Riley Stottern, CGCS**, Jeremy Ranch CC in Salt Lake City, were elected directors. Outgoing President **Melvin B. Lucas Jr., CGCS**, Piping Rock Club on Long Island, will serve on the Board of Directors for an additional year.

**Ruben Aragon**, superintendent at Horizon City CC, was elected president of Rio Bravo Turf and GCSA at their annual meeting. Elected Vice president for the coming year is **Fred Halman**, owner of Valley Earthworm and Compost Company in El Paso. **Thelma Palmer**, President of B and C Turf in El Paso, became the first woman elected to office since the organization formed in 1968. Palmer and **Bill Weaver**, superintendent of Vista Hills CC, were elected to two-year terms as directors. Holdover officers include **Dale Notgrass**, Past president, and **Charlie True**, Secretary/treasurer. Directors completing their terms are: **Frank Felix**, Superintendent of Ascarate Park GC, and **Fred Torres**, Grounds superintendent for El Paso Independent School District.

The Michigan Association of Public Golf Courses recently held elections and **Marti Coulman** from Genesee Valley GC in Swartz Creek is claimed to be the first woman president of a state daily fee golf course association. **Charlie Scott**, Gull Lake View in Richland, is the new vice president. **Jack Grossnickle**, Perry GC in Perry, is the secretary/treasurer. Directors are: **Dan Burgess**, **Don Beavers**, **Jeff Hoag**, **Walt Jasiak**, **Pat Bowersock**, and **Walt Tamulis**.

Five superintendents received GCSAA Citations of Performance

during the International Conference. Award winners were: **Joseph Flaherty, CGCS**, Baltusrol GC, Springfield, N.J., for the U.S. Open Championship last June; **Sherwood Moore, CGCS**, Winged Foot GC, Mamaroneck, N.Y., for the inaugural Senior Open last June; **Steve Siebel**, Edgewood Tahoe GC, Stateline, Nevada, for the Amateur Public Links Championship last July; **Douglas Petersan, CGCS**, Prairie Dunes CC, Hutchinson, Kansas, for the Women's Amateur Championship last August, and **Fred Reese**, Virginia Hot Springs Golf and Tennis Club, for the Senior Amateur Championship in September. The awards were presented during the USGA Green Section Conference held in conjunction with the 52nd International Turfgrass Conference and Show.

**FBC Chemicals, Inc.** is the name of the new company formed to market and distribute products in the United States formerly marketed by Fisons, Inc. of Bedford, Massachusetts, and the Boots Hercules Agrochemicals Co. in Wilmington, Delaware.

The National Golf Foundation's **1981 Golf Operations Handbook** is ready for distribution. The Handbook is a 460-page publication specifically planned for golf course operators and golf facility developers. It includes 35 revised information sheets and 35 new information sheets. The book contains eight major sections on business, the clubhouse, the golf course, golf services, personnel, promotion, research and player development. More information is available from: Mark Boorman, Assistant Director, Information Services, 200 Castlewood Drive, North Palm Beach, FL 33408, or phone 305/844-2500, ext. 212.

The University of Florida **Turfgrass Research Field Day** will be held April 1, 1981 in Ft. Lauderdale. For more information, contact: Dr. Bruce Augustine, University of Florida Agricultural Research Center, 3205 SW 70th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33314, or phone 305/475-8990.